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LIBRARY HISTORY CHRONICLES PROGRESS

The following historical sketch is one of the documents to be placed in the corner stone of the Memorial Library. It was written by Mr. Geo. Donovan, who for a number of years has been the secretary of the Library Association.

On the 10th of January, 1900, the Village Improvement Society selected five of its members to be a library committee who were to take sole charge of the library, and were to serve indefinitely.

Immediately after the Village Improvement Society meeting this library committee met, organized with E. Southwick, chairman, J. C. Shinn, book committee. House committee, Mrs. Chittenden and Mrs. Chas. Shinn. The above is the first entry in the minute book of the Niles Free Public Library. The library really had its beginning about three years before when a little reading room called the Open Door, was started on Main street in the Easterday building, by the Rev. Mr. Maar, and the young people of the Congregational church.

This small "Open Door" was a refuge for tired men who were strangers in the town . Those who instituted the Library always had to struggle to meet the expenses. One of the items of expense was the janitor work; this called for an outlay of $3 per month, and there were times when Mr. Sneden the treasurer, did not have that much in the treasury The membership was small and the dues were not enough to carry on the work. Those having the interest of the library at heart got up an entertainment whenever the funds ran too low and in this way kept the little library open.

One item in the old minutes is a vote of thanks to Mr. C. F. Horner for a donation of $20.00. It was decided to purchase books with this money and inscribe his name in the books.

On Oct. 25, 1901, a special meeting of the Library trustees was called to consider an important offer.. The Southern Pacific Co. had decided to build a new depot at Niles. Mrs. Wm. H Ford, acting as a committee of one got in touch with the S.P. Co. with the result that the company gave the building to the Niles Free Public Library to be used as a library building. At the meeting called to consider this offer it was decided to accept this building. Not having a lot on which to place the building presented another problem. Mr. J. C Shinn and Mr. B. Sneden were appointed a committee to look up an available site. After investigating all possible building sites it was decided to purchase from Jas. McCoy a lot 25x150 feet corner of I street and 2nd streets. Mr. Jas. Clarke freely donated his services and put through the deal. The purchase price was $500.00 and this money was borrowed through Mr. Clarke with the signatures of all of the trustees on the note.

The moving of the old depot building to the new library site and the repair work called for quite a sum of money, and as usual the few library workers took up the task and gave an entertainment and succeeded in getting sufficient funds to do all of the necessary work.

Dr. C. H. Chalmers. who was one of the first physicians to reside in Niles, opened his office in the two spare rooms of the library building and paid $50.00 in advance payments or at the rate of $5.00 per month. This money was used to fix up the reading room.

The first librarian or caretaker was Mrs. Kreuz. She lived at the library building and she kept the reading room open until 8 every evening.

On Nov. 11, 1902, Mr. Chas. Shinn resigned as a member of the board and Mr. Wm. H. Ford was chosen to fill his place.

The mortgage of $500 still remained on the property and there did not seem to be any prospect of paying off any part of it; so a resolution was put through by the trustees to sell 25x75 ft. on the corner of I street and 2nd streets to Mrs. Seeva R. Eberly for $500.00. This money paid off the mortgage on the library proper-

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NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

The regular meeting of the stockholders of The Bank of Alameda County, a corporation, will be held at the office of the bank at Alvarado, Cal., on Saturday, January 14, 1928, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors of the corporation and transacting such other business as may properly come before such meeting.

J. R. BLACOW,
Secretary.

Dated December 21, 1927

MUSICAL INSPIRATIONAL TRIP PLANNED FOR JANUARY 27TH.

Mr. John Kimber, director of music in the Township schools has announced that on Jan. 27 all the boys and girls in the nine grammar schools and the high school, who are taking instruction on any musical instrument, will be taken to Oakland where they will visit many schools and listen to their orchestras and bands. This will include about two hundred boys and girls and interested parents and friends are invited to accompany them. Among the many schools to be visited will be Roosevelt high, which has a real symphony orchestra of seventy pieces and Technical high which has an excellent band. This trip should be a wonderful inspiration to the boys and girls and to any parents and friends who are able to accompany them.

PHONE SERVICE BETWEEN TOWNS SPEEDED UP

This week the telephone company inaugurates a new "number service" between Niles and Centerville. To use the new method, calls must be made by number, but by so doing, the patron gets the same service as on a local call. All that is necessary is to give the local operator the desired number and hold the line, as on a local call.

IRVINGTON CHURCH NEWS

As Sunday will be the eighth anniversary of the 18th Amendment the pastor will take this occasion to show some of the advantages the country has enjoyed since the law went into effect and especially the necessity for rigid law enforcement.

In the evening a group of young people from San Jose will have charge of the program and they are expected to bring an encouraging program.

DELEGATES ARE CHOSEN

The Niles Church has elected the following as delegates to the annual meeting of Congregational Federation of Women to be held in Berkeley this week. They are Miss Martha L. Sanford, Mrs. J. E. .Townsend and Mrs. A. A. Hatch.

REBEKAH LODGE WILL INSTALL OFFICERS

The Rebekah lodge held its regular meeting at the I. O. O. F hall in Niles Friday evening and plans were made for the installation of new officers which will be held Jan. 20. Mrs. Henrietta Graff of Alvarado, who is district deputy, will be the installing officer. The newly elected officers are: Mrs. Roy Rose, Noble Grand; Mrs. Ola Walker, Vice Grand; Mrs. Rose Fournier, Recording Sec'y; Mrs. Ferne Mitte, Financial Sec'y.; and Mrs. Emma Murray, Treasurer.

BRIDE AND GROOM ARE HONORED AT DINNER

Tuesday evening at the Country Club house, Principal and Mrs., E. B. Hodges entertained at a beautifully appointted dinner, honoring Mr J. V. Gould of the high school faculty, and his bride. Covers were laid for forty guests. The table decorations were pink roses and sweet peas and rosebud nut cups. On behalf of the H. S. faculty, Mr. Hodges presented Mr and Mrs Gould with a beautiful silver percolator. Cards and dancing followed the dinner and a most delightful time is reported.

Mr. Wilder of San Francisco visited at the home of his son, M. C. Wilder over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bunting of Niles entertained a few friends at a wild duck dinner Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. J E. Thane and Mr. and Mrs. H. R Hunt were guests

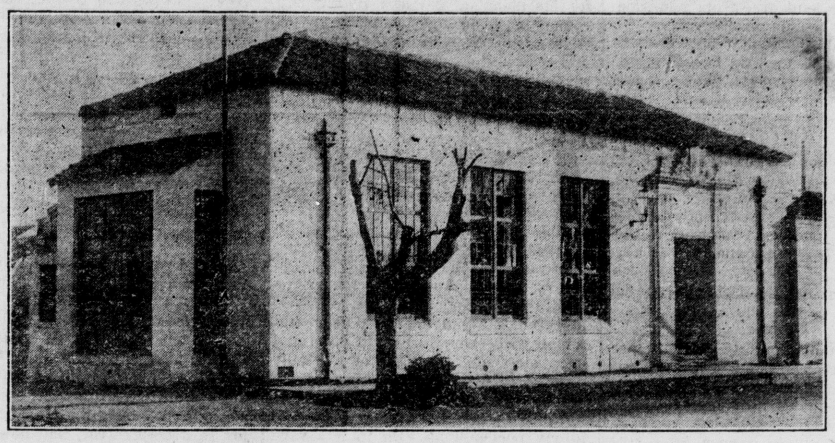
The American Garage has recently partitioned off and completed an attractive office room in the northwest corner of the garage

The burial of Proctor Steinhoff a resident of Newark, took place on Saturday at the Odd Fellows cemetery, Irvington. The funeral service was held from Hayward with Rev. H. M'Call officiating.

Mrs. E. DeGuilo entertained at a family dinner Sunday. Her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Cesare Dal Pagetto. who recently came over from Italy, her brother, Joe Dal Pagetto and family of San Francisco and B. Massei, a cousin from Mt. Eden were all guests.

A group of Rebekahs, including Mesdames Rose Klinkle. Fern Mitte, Martha Roland. Colton Roland, Rose Drennan and Ola Walker made a combined business and social trip to Alvarado Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Morgan and little daughter of Modesto and Mrs. T. Smethers and two daughters of Ripon, spent Sunday with the E. A. Ellsworth family and with Mr. Smethers who was also at the Ellsworth home convalescing from an attack of pneumonia.



JANE R. CLOUGH MEMORIAL LIBRARY

LIBRARY IS VERY COMPLETE

The above picture of Niles Memorial Library, cannot begin to really portray the beauty of the new building. Both the interior and exterior have been finished with attention to perfecting every detail and the finished product is very beautiful.

Since taking the picture a variety of the most appropriate and expensive shrubs from the California Nursery Co. have been planted and add greatly to the appearance of the exterior. Built in Spanish style architecture, of concrete, with tile roof, it is both substantial and artistic. Some of the most noticeable exterior features are the large paneled doors of Phillipine mahogany, with an arch over the doorway, which bears the inscription, "Jane R. Clough Memorial Library," and a large wrought iron trimmed, postern light. Even the sidewalks in front of the new building have been made in tints of brown.

As you enter the library a large and elaborately equipped librarians' desk is seen at the right, nearby are beautifully appointed rest rooms, and a stairway which leads to a room on the mezzanine floor. This room is lined with book shelves and provides a place suitable for board meetings and similar purposes. The major part of the 25x75 ft. building, is occupied by the large reading room which is supplied with many windows. Beautiful electrical fixtures with both glass and parchment shades, provide artificial illumination. A large, inviting, marble finished fireplace centers the east wall of the reading room and additional heat is provided by electric stoves which are built in the walls. The reading room is lined with book shelves and equipped with specially made chairs and tables carrying out the antique effect. Above the book shelves, the walls are tinted a warm cream color. The floors are covered with inlaid linoleum and the woodwork throughout is of Phillipine mahogany of the highest quality specially treated to bring out its grain and beauty. It is finished in dark brown. The window draperies are of heavy monks cloth.

Work was started on the building by the Heyer Construction Co. of San Francisco and Oakland on August 22nd under the direction of W E. Commary, and was finished this week. Neither time, trouble or expense has been spared by the donors or contractors. Mr. and Mrs. Ford, who are presenting this magnificient gift, have insisted upon the best materials and workmanship throughout. Chas. W. Heyer, Jr., builder, who for the past fifteen years has done this sort of work, has put this building on a par with some of his other projects such as the Elks' Building and the Wakefield Medical builling at Oaklanl. Co-incident with the construction of the library he has been building a million dollar mausoleum at Mountain View cemetery. A large part of the materials and labor were provided by local firms. Building materials were purchased from the Hansen Lumber Co.; the plumbing installed by C| R. Abrott, the electrical wiring by Vieux Bros. and the shrubbery supplied by the California Nursery Co.

Kindly co-operating with those interested in the library building, the P. G. & E. and the Pac. Telephone and Telegrabh companies have placed their transmission lines along "I" street, underground at a cost of about one thousand dollars.

EARLY LIBRARY HISTORY

The following interesting facts concerning the beginnings of a library in Nlies were contributed and written by Mr. Israel Richards, one of the old timers in the community, who has always been interested in reading and was one of the contributors to the first library fund started in the late 80's. He was also one of the first board of trustees when the present library association was formed about 1900. Mr. Richard's article is as follows:

If my memory is correct, in 1888 or 1889, a number of us subscribed to the Pharmalee library and the library was installed in Mr. Dickey's store, which if I remember rightly, was the Post Office at the time or at any rate not long afterwards. This continued several years.

Sometime in 1900, the Rev. Mr. F. Maar opened a reading room on Front street, in the block between the I.O.OF. Hall and the Easterday corner. The ladies of the community supplied magazines and books and some of the San Francisco and Oakland dailies donated their newspapers.

This was done, I afterwards learned, for the benefit of transients and also to keep the young men and boys from visiting the saloons as it had previously been the only place in town for them to congregate.

My impression is that the books in the library were then donated to the reading room.

About three years after this the C. E. society of the Congregational church endeavored to get out more of the boys and as there was nobody to shut up the reading room at night there was some discussion about what should be done. Mr. Maar said he wanted to keep the door open during the day time but not later than 10 p.m. Someone suggested that we ought to have a name for the library and Mrs. Maar said "Why not call it 'The Open Door'?" This name suited everyone and it became "The Open Door." Still we needed someone to see that the place closed at night and Wm. Catterlin, Bert Moody and myself volunteered to each give two nights a week to take charge of the library and close it at 10 p.m.

A few years later the library was moved to the building donated by the S.P. Co.

Israel Richards.

COMPOSITION WILL BE PLACED IN STRONG BOX

This week, children of the Niles Grammar school have been writing compositions on the Niles Library. A committee, composed of Mrs. Edna Overacker, Phillip H. Moore and A. A. Hatch were selected to read these and chose the best one, which will be placed in the strong box which will be sealed in the corner stone of the new building. Theo. Elliot's composition was selected because of thought work, "Open door," theme, and its good description. Jack Bunker's and Howard Roland's papers received honorable mention.

FINAL APPRAISAL MEETING

Next Tuesday evening at 7:30 W. E. Spears, of the appraisor's office announces the final meeting to determine land values in the Niles school district. The meeting will be held in Judge Silva's court room.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Jan. 12 East Bay Girl's Circle, Mrs C. A. Martinstein, 2 p. m.
Jan. 14, Dedication of new Niles Library, 2 P. M.
Jan. 16, Toyon branch Hospital Ass'n Mrs J. A .Bunting, San Jose.
Jan. 16, Niles and Alvarado, I. O.O. F. joint installation at Niles.
Jan. 19, Niles Congregational Women's Guild at the church.
Jan. 20, Niles Rebekah Installation of officers.
Jan. 24. H. S. Benefit Play by the Oriole Dramatic Club at H. S.
Jan. 24th. American Legion "Army Style" Dinner. I.O.O.F. Hall, Niles.
February 13, S P R S I. Whist party, I. O. O. F. Hall, Irvington

CENTERVILLE

Mrs. J. Attwood is going to Oakland each day to consult an oculist.

Mrs. A. Ormsby has been quite ill with heart trouble.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. Fitting will miss them very much. He has been transferred to an Oakland branch of the Bank of Italy and they are leaving about the 15th.

M. Mathieson has also been transferred to Daly City where he will hold the position of manager in the Bank of Italy branch. He is one of our own boys and will be greatly missed.

Mrs. Marriett, who has been visiting in Idaho has returned. His father and sister coming with her. They have taken the Snow cottage.

St. James Guild had its first meeting on Wednesday of this week. We will give particulars next week. The St. James Mens' Club held an enthusiastic meeting last Thursday evening. They decided to give a card party on the 19th at Memorial Hall and in the first part of February a dance at the Country Club.

Mr and Mrs Ralph Emerson are receiving many attentions since their return from the Islands. On Tuesday evening their friends gathered with tin pans and serenaded them, following it up with all the things which go to make a perfect evening. Later they danced and showered the happy couple with good wishes.

On Friday Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Walton of Niles and Dr. and Mrs. McWhirter and son of Centerville drove to Yosemite. The park was very beautiful with its wealth of snow and they enjoyel the novelty, returning home Sunday.

JOB'S DAUGHTERS VISIT O.E.S.

A group of young ladies from the Job's Daughters Lodge of Hayward attended the township O. E. S. meeting at Centerville Wednesday evening. They initiated several new members into their organization and put on some of their ritualistic work

Y. L. I. HONORS RECENT BRIDE

A group of Y. L. I. members, 22 in all, gave a delightful surprise party for Mrs. Carolyn Kell Orcutt at her home Tuesday evening. Mrs Orcutt was presented with a silver vegetable dish and a host of good wishes. The guests served dainty refreshments.

BUILDING COMMITTEES CHOSEN AND YEAR'S PLANS MADE

At the first meeting for 1928 held Tuesday evening, The American Legion Post outlined the year's work. January 24th, the post will have an "army style feed" at the hall, to which every ex-service man in the community is invited. Plans for civic activities were discussed and some Americanization work planned for the coming year. R. K. Wilson, commander, also appointed a building committee to look after various details in connection with the building of the new Memoriai Hall. Comrades Griffin, Dutra, Bristow, Veit and R. K. Wilson compose the committee. The commander also announced his intention of having state officials visit the post during the year and to have something of special interest at each regular meeting.

C. OF C. ACCERTS INVITATIONS

At the Niles C. of C. meeting Tuesday, the members were invited to attend the meeting of the Centerville Service Club Thursday Jan. 12. An invitation from the Parent-Teachers Ass'n. was also accepted. The Chamber will therefore meet at the Niles grammar school for luncheon Tuesday Jan. 31st.

Frank Lewis of the Niles Mutual store and his orchestra "The Peerless Serenaders" are giving regular Wednesday night dances in the I. D. E. S. hall at Hayward. A good crowd attended Wednesday night. Frank Mueller of Newark is also a member of the orchestra.

LIBRARY WILL BE DEDICATED JANUARY 14TH.

The Niles Memorial Library will be formally presented to the Library Association by Mr and Mrs. Wm. H. Ford on Saturday, January 14th. The library was built for the town of Niles and all of its people, but since the town is not incorporated and the association is incorporated, it will hold the property until Niles becomes an incorporated town. It is the expressed desire of the donors and all concerned, that Saturday may be a Homecoming Day, and that in addition to all the residents of the town and vicinity, former residents of the community may also be here to attend the exercises. No personal invitations have been sent to the local people but in lieu of personal invitations, the Township Register has been asked to extend a most cordial general invitation to everyone in the community to attend the didication program which will begin promptly at 2 p. m. Saturday.

Officers of the Masonic Grand lodge, assisted by M. J. Overacker, Past Master of Alameda Lodge No. 167 and members of the local lodge, will have charge of the dedication eyercises and the sealing of the corner stone. Masonic Grand Lodge officers who are expected to be present are Senior Grand Warden Chas. R. Wallenburg; Thos. J. Baker, Grand Lecturer; John Whicher, Grand Secretary; and Earl Warren, District Attorney will act as Grand Orator.

These officers will open lodge at the Masonic Home at Decoto and will then proceed to the library escorted by the local Boy Scout troop.

Following these ceremonies the Library Association will have charge of the following program:

Invocation — Rev. A. W. Seebart
Raising of the New Library Flag — Boy Scouts
America — Sung by all present
Presentation of Building to the Association — Mr. W. H. Ford
Acceptance of the Gift by Mr. J. C. Shinn, president of the Ass'n.
Commendation and Thanks on behalf of Niles Chamber of Commerce — Mr. F. V. Jones
Congratulations from the County Board of Supervisors — Judge Ralph Richmond.
Felicitations, Miss Mary Barmby, County Librarian.
Benediction, Rev. Father P. J. O'Connor

The Campfire Girls, Boy Scouts, children from the Congregational, Catholic and Christian Science Sunday schools and from the Niles Grammar School are all expected to attend in a body and lead in the singing of America. Mrs. Charlotte Huntley Foster, director of music in the Township schools will lead this community singing. Members of the American Legion will guard the Memorial flag pole on Main street during the ceremony.

An added feature of much interest to local people will be the first appearance of the Washington Uuion High school band directed by Mr. John Kimber. They will play two patriotic numbers.

Music will also be furnishel by the Hayward girls drum corps.

Following the formal program the new library will be open for inspection and the Niles library association will act as a reception committee. Of the original twenty-five members of the assocation thirteen are still living and in Niles. They will be assisted in receiving by daughters, wives and granddaughters of the original group as follows: Misses Lucy and Elizabeth Shinn, Mrs. Marie Sharp Bishop, Mrs. Gladys Catterlin Duffey, Mrs. Mary Barnard Jacoby of Berkeley, Mrs. J. B. Barnard, Mrs. F. V. Jones, Mrs. Anna Baldwin Kientz of Broadmoor, Mrs. Emilita Mayhew Cobb of Berkeley. Names of the remaining trustees who make up the Niles Association are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shinn, Mr and Mrs W. H. Ford, Mr and Mrs Geo. L. Donovan, Mr and Mrs J. E. Thane, Mrs Emilie Chittenlon Mrs Florence M. Hudson, Israel Richards, F. V. Jones and Mrs Maria Scofield.

IRVINGTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ENJOYS LUNCH

The monthly business men's lunch was held in the Heller Restaurant in Irvington at the noon hour on Monday. There was a large attendance of the business men. Owing to a previous engagement the Oakland speaker was unable to be present but Mr. E. B. Hodges occupied the time very profitably by presenting a talk on some problems of the high school. The meeting was voted a success. The next business meeting of the chamber will be held on Monday evening at 7:30.

THE BAT

A Novel from the Play

By Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood

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CHAPTER XI—Continued

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Bailey swung in through the window, panting a little from his exertions.

"The man Lizzie saw drop from the skylight undoubtedly got to the roof from this window," he said. "It's quite easy."

Dale explained the situation to Jack.

"Aunt Cornelia thinks the money's still here."

Miss Cornelia snorted.

"I know it's here." She started to open the closets, one after the other, beginning at the left. Bailey saw what she was doing and began to help her.

Miss Cornelia rattled the knob of a high closet by the other wall.

"This one is locked—and the key's gone," she announced. A new flicker of interest grew in the eyes of the Unknown. Lizzie glanced away from him, terrified.

Miss Cornelia pondered.

"It may be locked from the inside—I'll soon find out." She took a wire hairpin from her hair and pushed it through the keyhole. But there was no key on the other side; the hairpin went through without obstruction. Repeated efforts to jerk the door open failed. And finally Miss Cornelia bethought herself of a key from the other closet doors.

Dale and Lizzie on one side—Bailey on the other—collected the keys of the other closets from their locks while Miss Cornelia stared at the one whose doors were closed as if she would force its secret from it with her eyes. The Unknown had been so quiet during the last few minutes, that, unconsciously, the others had ceased to pay much attention to him, except the casual attention one devotes to a piece of furniture. Even Lizzie's eyes were now fixed on the locked closet. And the Unknown himself was the first to notice this.

At once his expression altered to one of cunning—cautiously, with infinite patience, he began to inch his chair over toward the wicker clothes-hamper.

At last, he was within reach of the revolver. His hand shot out in one swift sinuous thrust—clutched the weapon—withdrew. He then concealed the revolver among his tattered garments as best he could and, cautiously as before, inched his chair back again to its original position.

"There—that unlocked it!" cried Miss Cornelia, triumphantly, at last, as the key to one of the other closet doors slid smoothly into the lock and she heard the click that meant victory.

She was about to throw open the closet door. But Bailey motioned her back.

"I'd keep back a little," he cautioned. "You don't know what may be inside."

"Mercy sakes, who wants to know?" shivered Lizzie. Dale and Miss Cornelia, too, stepped aside involuntarily as Bailey took the candle and prepared, with a good deal of caution, to open the closet door.

The door swung open at last. He could look in. He did so—and stared appalled at what he saw, while gooseflesh crawled on his spine and the hairs of his head stood up.

After a moment he closed the door of the closet again, and turned back, white-faced, to the others.

"What is it?" said Dale, aghast. "What did you see?"

Bailey found himself unable to answer for a moment. Then he pulled himself together. He turned to Miss Van Gorder.

"Miss Cornelia, I think we have found the ghost the Jap butler saw," he said slowly. "How are your nerves?"

Miss Cornelia extended a hand that did not tremble.

"Give me the candle."

He did so. She went to the closet and opened the door.

Huddled on the floor of the closet was the body of a man. So crudely had he been crammed into this hiding-place that he lay twisted and bent.

Miss Cornelia's voice sounded strange to her own ears when finally she spoke.

"But who is it?"

"It is—or was—Courtleigh Fleming," said Bailey dully.

"But how can it be? Mr. Fleming died two weeks ago. I—"

"He died in this house, sometime tonight. The body is still warm."

"But who killed him? The Bat?"

"Isn't it likely that the doctor did it? The man who has been his accomplice all along? Who probably bought a cadaver out West and buried it with honors here not long ago?"

But Miss Cornelia's face was still thoughtful, and he went on:

"Isn't it clear, Miss Van Gorder?" he queried, with a smile. "The doctor and old Mr. Fleming formed a conspiracy—both needed money—lots of it. Fleming was to rob the bank and hide the money here. Wells' part was to issue a false death certificate in the West, and bury a substitute body, secured God knows how. It was easy—it kept the name of the president of the Union bank free from suspicion—and it put the blame on me."

He paused, thinking it out.

"Only they slipped up in one place. Dick Fleming leased the house to you and they couldn't get it back."

"Then you are sure," said Miss Cornelia quickly, "that tonight Courtleigh Fleming broke in, with the doctor's assistance—and that he killed Dick, his own nephew, from the staircase?"

"Aren't you?" asked Bailey, surprised. The more he thought of it, the less clearly could he visualize it any other way.

Miss Cornelia shook her head decidedly.

"No."

"Wells tried to get out of the house tonight with that blue-print. Why? Because he knew the moment we got it, we'd come up here—and Fleming was here."

"Perfectly true," nodded Miss Cornelia. "And then?"

"Old Fleming killed Dick and Wells killed Fleming," said Bailey succinctly. "You can't get away from it!"

But Miss Cornelia still shook her head.

"No," she said. "No. The doctor isn't a murderer. He's as puzzled as we are about some things. He and Courtleigh Fleming were working together—but remember this—Doctor Wells was locked in the living room with us. He'd been trying to get up the stairs all evening—and failed every time."

But Bailey was as convinced of the truth of his theory as she of hers.

"He was here ten minutes ago—locked in this room," he said with a glance at the window-ladder up which the doctor had ascended.

"I'll grant you that," said Miss Cornelia. "But—" She thought back swiftly. "But at the same time an Unknown Masked Man was locked in that mantel-room with Dale. The doctor put out the candle when you opened that hidden room. Why? Because he thought Courtleigh Fleming was hiding there!" Now the missing pieces of her puzzle were falling into their places with a vengeance. "But at this moment," she continued, "the doctor believes that Fleming has made his escape! No—we haven't solved the mystery yet—there's another element—an unknown element," her eyes rested for a moment upon the Unknown. "And that element is—the Bat!"

She paused, impressively. The others stared at her—no longer able to deny the sinister plausibility of her theory. But this new tangling of the mystery, just when the black threads seemed raveled out at last, was almost too much for Dale.

"Oh, call the detective!" she stammered, on the verge of hysterical tears. "Let's get through with this thing! I can't bear any more!"

But Miss Cornelia did not even hear her. Her mind, strung now to concert pitch, had harked back to the point it had reached some time ago, and which all the recent distractions had momentarily obliterated.

Had the money been taken out of the house, or had it not? In that mad rush for escape of the man hidden with Dale in the recess back of the mantel, had he carried with him his booty, or left it behind? It was not in the hidden room, that was certain.

Yet she was so hopeless by that time that her first search was purely perfunctory.

It was when Bailey finally opened the lid of a clothes-hamper that they stumbled on their first clew.

"Nothing here but some clothes and books," he said, glancing inside.

"Books?" said Miss Cornelia dubiously. "I left no books in that hamper."

Bailey picked up one of the cheap paper novels and read its title aloud, with a wry smile.

"'Little Rosebud's Lover, or the Cruel Revenge,' by Laura Jean—"

"That's mine!" said Lizzie promptly. "Oh, Miss Nelly, I tell you this house is haunted. I left that book in my satchel, along with 'Wedded but No Wife' and now—"

"Isn't that your satchel, Lizzie?" asked Miss Cornelia, indicating a battered bag in a dark corner of shadows above the window.

Lizzie approached it gingerly.

"Yes'm," she admitted. But she did not dare approach very close to the recovered bag. It might bite her!"

Miss Cornelia started for the satchel. Then she remembered. She turned to Bailey.

"You open it," she said graciously. "If the money's there—you're the one who ought to find it."

Bailey gave her a look of gratitude. Then, smiling at Dale encouragingly, he crossed over to the satchel, Dale at his heels. Miss Cornelia watched him fumble at the catch of the bag—even Lizzie drew closer. For a moment even the Unknown was forgotten.

Bailey gave a triumphant cry.

"The money's here!"

"Oh, thank God!" sobbed Dale.

It was an emotional moment. It seemed to have penetrated even through the haze enveloping the injured man in his chair. Slowly he got up, like a man who has been waiting for his moment, and now that it had come was in no hurry about it. With equal deliberation he drew the revolver and took a step forward. And at that instant a red glare appeared outside the open window, and overhead could be heard the feet of searchers, running.

"Fire!" screamed Lizzie, pointing to the window, even as Beresford's voice from the roof rang out in a shout, "The garage is burning!"

They turned toward the door, to escape, but a strange and menacing figure blocked the way.

It was the Unknown—no longer the bewildered stranger who had stumbled in through the living-room door—but a man with every faculty of mind and body alert and the light of a deadly purpose in his eyes. He covered the group with Miss Cornelia's revolver.

"This door is locked and the key is in my pocket!" he said in a savage voice, as the red light at the window grew more vivid yet and muffled cries and tramplings from overhead betokened universal confusion and alarm.

CHAPTER XII

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"He Is—the Bat!"

Lizzie opened her mouth to scream. But for once she did not carry out her purpose.

"Not a sound out of you!" warned the Unknown, brutally, almost jabbing the revolver into her ribs. He wheeled on Bailey.

"Close that satchel," he commanded, "and put it back where you found it!"

Bailey's fist closed. He took a step toward his captor.

"You—" he began in a furious voice. But the steely glint in the eyes of the

Bailey Picked Up One of the Cheap Paper Novels.

Unknown was enough to give any man pause.

"Jack!" pleaded Dale. Bailey halted.

"Do what he tells you!" Miss Cornelia insisted, her voice shaking.

A brave man may be willing to fight with odds a hundred to one—but only a fool will rush on certain death. Reluctantly, dejectedly, Bailey obeyed—stuffed the money back in the satchel and replaced the latter in its corner of shadows near the window.

He watched the Unknown intently. One moment of relaxed vigilance and—

But though the Unknown was unlocking the door with his left hand—the revolver in his right hand was as steady as a rock. He seemed to listen for a moment at the crack of the door.

"Not a sound, if you value your lives!" he warned again. He shepherded them away from the direction of the window with his revolver.

"In a moment or two," he said in a hushed, taut voice, "a man will come into this room, either through the door or by that window—the man who started the fire to draw you out of this house."

Bailey threw aside all pride in his concern for Dale's safety.

"For God's sake, don't keep these women here!" he pleaded, in low, tense tones.

The Unknown seemed to tower above him like a destroying angel.

"Keep them here where we can watch them!" he whispered with fierce impatience. "Don't you understand? There's a killer loose!"

And so for a moment they stood there, waiting for they knew not what. So swift had been the transition from joy to deadly terror, and now to suspense, that only Miss Cornelia's agile brain seemed able to respond. And at first it did even that very slowly.

"I begin to understand," she said, in a low tone. "The man who struck you down and tied you in the garage—the man who killed Dick Fleming and stabbed that poor wretch in the closet—the man who locked us in, downstairs, and removed the money from that safe—the man who started that fire outside—is—"

"Sssh!" warned the Unknown, imperatively, as a sound from the direction of the window seemed to reach his ears. He ran quickly back to the corridor door and locked it.

"Stand back out of that light! The ladder!"

The top of the extension-ladder began to tremble. A black bulk stood clearly outlined against the diminishing red glow—the Bat, masked and sinister, on his last foray!

There was no sound as the killer stepped into the room. He waited for a second that seemed a year—still no sound. Then he turned cautiously toward the place where he had left the satchel—the beam of his flashlight picked it out.

In an instant the Unknown and Bailey were upon him. There was a short, ferocious struggle in the darkness—a gasp of laboring lungs—the thud of fighting bodies clenched in a death-grapple.

"Get his gun!" muttered the Unknown hoarsely to Bailey, as he tore the Bat's lean hands away from his throat. "Got it?"

"Yes," gasped Bailey. He jabbed the muzzle against a straining back. The Bat ceased to struggle. Bailey stepped a little away.

"I've still got you covered!" he said fiercely. The Bat made no sound.

"Hold out your hands, Bat, while I put on the bracelets," commanded the Unknown in tones of terse triumph. He snapped the steel cuffs on the wrists of the murderous prowler. "Sometimes even the cleverest Bat comes through a window at night and is caught. Double murder—burglary—and arson! That's a good night's work even for you, Bat!"

He switched his flashlight on the Bat's masked face. As he did so the house lights came on—the electric light company had at last remembered its duties. All blinked for an instant in the sudden illumination.

"Take off that handkerchief!" barked the Unknown, motioning at the black silk handkerchief that still hid the face of the Bat from recognition. Bailey stripped it from the haggard, desperate features with a quick movement—and stood appalled.

A simultaneous gasp went up from Dale and Miss Cornelia.

It was Anderson, the detective! And he was—the Bat!

"It's Mr. Anderson!" stuttered Dale, aghast at the discovery.

The Unknown gloated over his captive.

"I'm Anderson," he said. "This man has been impersonating me. You're a good actor, Bat, for a fellow that's such a bad actor!" he taunted. "How did you get the dope on this case? Did you tap the wires to headquarters?"

The Bat allowed himself a little sardonic smile.

"I'll tell you that when I—" he began, then, suddenly, made his last bid for freedom. With one swift, desperate movement, in spite of his handcuffs, he jerked the real Anderson's revolver from him by the barrel, then wheeling with lightning rapidity on Bailey, brought the butt of Anderson's revolver down on his wrist. Bailey's revolver fell to the floor with a clatter. The Bat swung toward the door. Again the tables were turned!

"Hands up, everybody!" he ordered, menacing the party with the stolen pistol. "Hands up—you!" as Miss Cornelia kept her hands at her sides.

It was the greatest moment of Miss Cornelia's life.

She smiled, sweetly, and came toward the Bat as if the pistol aimed at her heart were as innocuous as a toothbrush.

"Why?" she queried mildly. "I took the bullets out of that revolver two hours ago."

The Bat flung the revolver toward her with a curse. The real Anderson instantly snatched up the gun that Bailey had dropped and covered him.

"Don't move!" he warned, "or I'll fill you full of lead!" He smiled out of the corner of his mouth at Miss Cornelia, who was primly picking up the revolver that the Bat had flung at her—her own revolver.

"You see—you never know what a woman will do," he continued.

Miss Cornelia smiled. She broke open the revolver—five loaded shells fell from it to the floor. The Bat stared at her—then stared incredulously at the bullets.

"You see," she said, "I, too, have a little imagination!"

CHAPTER XIII

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Quite a Collection.

An hour or so later, in the living room whose terrors had departed, Miss Cornelia, her niece and Jack Bailey were gathered before a roaring fire. The local police had come and gone; the bodies of Courtleigh Fleming and his nephew had been removed to the mortuary; Beresford had returned to his home, though under summons as a material witness; the Bat, under heavy guard, had gone off under charge of the detective. As for Doctor Wells, he, too, was under arrest, and a broken man though, considering the fact that Courtleigh Fleming had been throughout the prime mover in the conspiracy, he might escape with a comparatively light sentence.

Calmly and dispassionately Miss Cornelia worked out the cross-word puzzle of the evening and announced her results.

"It is all clear," she said. "Of course, the doctor had the blue-print. And the Bat tried to get it from him. Then when the doctor had stunned him and locked him in the billiard room, the Bat still had the key and unlocked his own handcuffs. After that he had only to get out of a window and shut us in here."

And again:

"He had probably trailed the real detective all the way from town and attacked him where Mr. Beresford found the watch."

Once, too, she harkened back to the anonymous letters.

"It must have been a blow to the doctor and Courtleigh Fleming, when they found me settled in the house!" She smiled grimly. "And when their letters failed to dislodge me."

But it was the Bat who held her interest; his daring assumption of the detective's identity, his searching of the house, ostensibly for their safety but in reality for the treasure, and that one moment of irresolution when he did not shoot the doctor at the top of the ladder. And thereafter lost his chance.

It somehow weakened her terrified admiration for him, but she had nothing but acclaim for the escape he had made from the hidden room itself.

"That took brains," she said. "Cold, hard brains. To dash out of that room and down the stairs, pull off his mask and pick up a candle, and then to come calmly back to the trunk room again and accuse the doctor—that took real ability. But I dread to think what would have happened when he asked us all to go out and leave him alone with the real Anderson!"

When Lizzie came at last to coax and scold her into bed, she was sitting happily at the table, surrounded by divers small articles which she was handling with an almost childlike zest. A clipping about the Bat from the evening newspaper; a piece of paper on which was a well-defined finger-print; a revolver and a heap of five shells; a small, very dead, bat; the anonymous warnings, including the stone in which the last one had been wrapped; a battered and broken watch, somehow left behind; a dried and broken dinner roll, and the box of sedative powders brought by Doctor Wells.

Lizzie came over to the table and surveyed her grimly.

"You see, Lizzie, it's quite a collection. I'm going to take them and—"

But Lizzie bent over the table and picked up the box of powders.

"No, ma'am," she said, with extreme finality. "You are not. You are going to take these and go to bed."

And Miss Cornelia did.

[THE END.]

French Dandies First to Sport the Cravat

One of the few words of Slavonic origin that does not retain its exotic flavor is cravat. The linen scarfs worn around their necks by Croatian merchants captivated the fancy of the fashionable French, who adopted the French word for Croatian to designate this kind of neckwear. Thus "croate" became "crovate" or "cravate," from whence our word "cravat."

The word was adopted in France in 1636 and appears in English about 1700. Its synonym, necktie, is of later origin, its first use as cited by the Oxford dictionary being 1838.

Cravats when first introduced were not exclusively an article of men's apparel, but some, which were laceedged and tied in a bow with flowing ends, were worn by women. "Cravatted" as a verb and "cravateer" applied to one who ties a cravat, although now practically obsolete, were at one time frequently used. Thackeray in "Vanity Fair" speaks of a young man being "handsomely cravatted."

Used the New Name

Years ago a young London dramatic critic blessed with the fine old name of Moses, got the idea that he would make greater strides in his profession were he to change his name. And so he did, blossoming forth as—Morton. Israel Zangwill, a brilliant wit, although fond of Morton, never quite forgave him the change of name, and on one occasion when the critic was the guest of honor at a dinner, over which Zangwill presided, the latter "stopped the show" for several minutes when he began his remarks with:

"And the Lord spake unto Morton, saying—".—Kansas City Star.

Learn as You Listen

"Ah!" remarked the fascinated bystander, after listening for a time to the moving man who had dropped a grand piano on his foot, "that's the phrase I was trying to think of yesterday on the links."—Detroit News.

Bird Has Multiplied

The English sparrow was brought to the United States from England in 1850 by Nicholas Pike and other directors of the Brooklyn institute, when eight pairs were liberated in Brooklyn, N. Y. The motive was to free the shade trees of devastating caterpillars, which at that time were especially numerous and annoying throughout the eastern states.

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"Yes, the war books of soldiers always remind me of the excursion train that stopped for seven hours in a daisy field.

"'Conductor,' said an old lady at the end of the fourth hour, 'what are we waiting for?'

"'Why, lady,' he said, 'we're waitin', of course, for the train to go on.'"—Detroit Free Press.

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Stole Flapper's Thunder

The present-day flapper who prides herself on using little more cloth for her dresses than for her handkerchiefs will be horrified to learn from "Modes and Manners of the Nineteenth Century" that their great-great-grandmothers went even further in out-figleafing Eve. "When the Nineteenth Century opened, the Empire style," says this new book, "had reduced women's clothing to scantiness more complete than anything modern styles have yet attempted: little clinging frocks with low bodices and high waists which fitted their wearers like gloves and indeed were alleged to have been put on damp."

Tabasco Diet

The way to handle a fire-eater is to make him eat his words and see how he likes scorching his innards.—Farm and Fireside.

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Dame Fashion Smiles

By Grace Jewett Austin

Grace J. Austin.

Last summer when the skies were such a beautiful Italian blue and so many acquaintances were in Europe, Dame Fashion used to wander about the shopping district, imagining that she was in Paris. At this time so many peaks of style may be seen that the atmosphere, though now winterish, is quite Parisian.

See those two handsome young women coming? Now that tint of coat is paris blue, whether the dye ever crossed the water or not. As the wind blows back a flap of it, you can see what a luxurious lining of apricot brocade it has, with artistic embroidery of blue roses in the corners. The gray krimmer fur collar and cuffs set off this blue coat amazingly well. This woman is wearing a pair of the new dark blue silk hose which are quite a feature this winter, but her pumps and her underarm bag are of soft finish black suede. She has kept the blue tone by an oblong blue enamel clasp on the bag. Her hat of blue and gray has one of those upright collar effects which always make Dame Fashion think of a saint who has pushed back her halo a little.

Over and over we see the statement that such and such is a "youthful fur," but Dame Fashion has come to the opinion that there was never a fur which grew or swam that would add years to the human wearer. Just the moment that a soft fur collar touches the face, or as soon as a big fox lovingly curls around a woman's shoulders, the years are peeled off more efficaciously than any beauty preparation could do it.

This second woman approaching has a coat with those luscious "barrel cuffs" of fur which only began to be appreciated last winter. These call for a heavy collar of fur to make the coat have balance. This particular tan coat has dyed fitch fur for its cuffs and collar, and its owner is carrying one of those original looking handbags which look as round as a dessert plate—and nearly as thin!

"We're motoring north for a little winter trip at the last of the week," remarked one woman to the other "One thing I want to do today is to match my coat in overshoes. Isn't it good they are such works of art this winter? Wading in snow in pumps isn't good for the pumps, to say nothing of me."

Dame Fashion quietly trailed along, for she wanted to see the gowns underneath those coats. Both wore "dressy sports" frocks of softest wool. One had a good deal of the "sun-ray" tucking which Dame Fashion admires, but look at the other! Those are the real "leaf-tucks"; just like succession of pretty petals, rows upon rows of them. The shade of the leaf-tucked gown was that new blue that seems to be neither green nor blue. How about calling it aquamarine?

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Two-Piece Suit Features Printed Orchid Tissue

Showing an attractive two-piece suit of printed orchid tissue velvet blouse with a skirt of plain velvet plaited. The belt and vest effect are of the same material as the skirt.

Afternoon Dresses

Afternoon dresses come in bloused and bolero one and two-piece models. Molded hiplines with or without wide girdle are used, also belted and tailored effects.

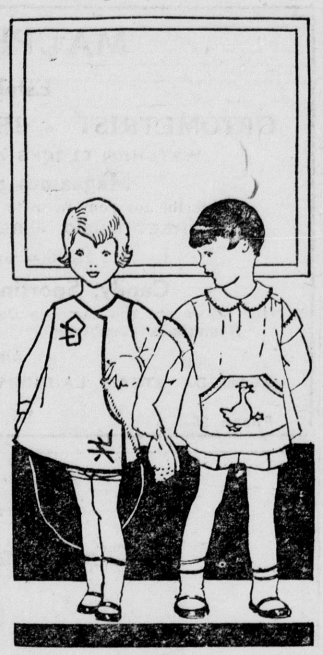
Taffeta Jacket

Dark blue plaid taffeta fashions a sleeveless jacket and bands the skirt of the white frock under it, in a French import.

Empty Flour Bags Make Play Suits for Kiddies

The harder children play, the happier and healthier they are. Clothes need never stand in the way of their romping as strenuously as they want to, if they are dressed in sensible little play frocks such as are shown here. Each of these was made out of one or two empty flour bags costing but a few cents apiece from a local baker. The cloth is creamy in color, closely woven, extremely durable and will stand any number of tubbings and even being boiled. It gets only soft and whiter with each washing.

The sacks are first ripped and then have the stamping removed by covering the inky places with lard or soaking them in kerosene overnight. The next morning they are washed out in



Discarded Sacks Easily Transformed Into Attractive Frocks.

lukewarm water. The cloth will measure about 36 by 40 inches, enough for a small frock, although two will be needed for a larger size or if bloomers to match are desired.

Almost any simple style is suitable. Color combinations of gingham, chambray, or linens with the flour sacking are particularly effective. The little miss who likes things oriental will enjoy the Chinese play suit which is collarless and has all the edges bound in red bias tape and Chinese emblems embroidered in red down the front. The boy's play suit has Peter Pan collar and cuffs button-holed in blue and a large two-way pocket in which a determined duck is outlined or appliqued. Another one has yoke and cuffs of contrasting material and a deep hem. Quickly worked embroidery in outline and lazy daisy stitch and French knots complete the trimming. Cross stitch is another effective sort of treatment.

It is, of course, possible to put quite a lot of work into making these little romping costumes and the long wearing qualities of the goods would seem to warrant it, but remember that they are for play and keep them as simple as possible.

New Afternoon Blouses Add to Ensemble Suit

To add variety to the ensemble suit new afternoon blouses are shown. They are made of metallic cloth in either silk or chiffon and in gold and silver. Some are shown with splashes of color in floral designs. In these blouses varied types of neckline are shown, the square and oval ones being preferred.

In shirts there are the new models with mannish collars and tucked bosoms which have the long sleeves with turned back cuffs; and again, the simple models with a single breast pocket, which are now shown in rose, green, beige and blue, as well as white.

Since the two-piece frock is still in the lead, sweaters will be in favor once again in the spring. Some of the new imported models show a preference for cashmere weaves and spun silks. The necklines harmonize with the geometric lines in the designs. Borders, cuffs and belts are mostly in strong contrasting colors. So far the sweaters are shown in light colors only, such as beige, ivory, maize, light blue and a soft rose tone, and have vivid contrasting splashes of red, blue, green and black.

New Evening Gowns Are Both Simple and Ornate

Evening frocks are both simple and ornate this winter. They are not as lavishly beaded as they were. But the period frock is at the top of the fashion. Older women are now making it their own special style. Usually it is built of several flounces of taffeta and tulle. Always it is longer in back than front. Formal bouquets are placed at waistline. The bodice is tight-fitting and not very decollete. Wide skirts prevail in all dance frocks. Cascades, plaits and godets give the fullness. There are no sleeves, but armholes are smaller than before.

Suede Pumps and Bag

Many well-dressed women are wearing brown suede pumps or strapped shoes this season. They are worn with neutral beige stockings. It is very smart to carry a brown suede envelope bag with them.

Where Swatters Are Taboo

In Ukrania, the southern Russia province, superstitious natives hold the common house fly in reverence and make no effort to kill the pest. Many persons regard the fly as a sacred animal.

Jaywalk Into Cars

Five per cent of the automobile accidents of the country are caused by persons who walk into the sides of moving machines. Like automobiles running into the sides of trains.

NEW WHIPPET CAR A MOTOR MARVEL

One of the sensations in the automobile world is the perfected "Whippet" produced by the Willys-Overland, Inc., and it is direct evidence that John N. Willys, president of the corporation, proposes to make good on his declaration that "there can be no monopoly in the light car field." The perfected car, and the price at which it is offered, placing it directly in competition with the lowest priced cars, has centered the eyes of the automobile industry and the motor car world in general on the enterprising Toledo manufacturer. It makes him the first manufacturer of automobiles to enter the price field heretofore exclusive to but one light car manufacturer.

The "Whippet," which has been in production for more than 18 months, holds the national fuel economy record of 43.28 miles to the gallon in a test between Los Angeles and New York City, covering a distance of 3,559 miles, under official observation of the A. A. A. In a speed test on Rockingham Speedway, Salem, N. H., a "Whippet" recently attained a speed of 71.6 miles an hour over a 50-mile route. This was officially timed.

The same engine that has accomplished these records is the power plant employed in the perfected "Whippet," now offered at the lowest price in the history of Willys-Overland.

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Details of the perfected "Whippet" disclose a wider range of colors, employment of full crown fenders, a new cadet sun visor that imparts a smart military effect, and the addition of automatic windshield cleaner, rear view mirror, and a combination rear driving light and stop light. These additions make the "Whippet" the most fully equipped light car built in the four cylinder field.

Life's Added Problems

Life is becoming more mathematical every day. We are now urged to count our blessings before eating, our calories while eating, our change after eating and our sheep while going to sleep.—Kansas City Star.

Opportunity

Next thing for scientific breeders to do is to cross the carrier-pigeon with the parrot so that messages can be delivered verbally.—Wall Street Journal.

Various Trades Offer Occupation to Blind

Blind men are employed in many engineering factories. In one German electrical concern, says the annual report of the National Institute for the Blind, more than one hundred sightless people are employed, while double that number are being trained.

Blindness, it is said, is no hindrance to a man looking after two or even three automatic machines. The average earning capacity of a blind operative in these works is considered to be about 80 per cent of that of a normal-sighted man.

Ninety blind persons employed in French engineering trades earn about 85 per cent of full wages. A motor factory in America employs 44 blind men, who are given the work for which they seem most competent.

Nature's Economy

Inventions during the next two or three centuries will, in the opinion of many experts, probably be in the direction of imitations of the wonderful economy and the simple, direct methods of nature. Take the electric eel as an example. Its electric organ is in no sense a storage battery, but a contrivance by which electric energy is liberated at the moment when it is required. At rest, the organ shows so small an electromotive force that a good galvanometer is required to detect it, but a sudden nervous impulse from the eel's spinal cord raises a potential of many volts, with very little heat, and so small an expenditure of matter as to defy the most expert chemist to weigh it. Fireflies, glowworms and many deep sea fishes produce light without heat, at a cost which would make the price of a wax candle an extravagant outlay.

Feet and Talking

It's the fellow who can't talk on his feet who puts his foot in his mouth when he tries.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Grandfathers on Vacation

Fifteen grandfathers, whose ages totaled 1,200 years, recently enjoyed their annual two-weeks' vacation together at Littlehampton, England. They are members of the Browning Hall Grandfathers' club of London. The oldest in the party was eighty-four and the youngest seventy.

Correct the Fault

Whatever you dislike in another person take care to correct in yourself.

Migratory Bird Treaty

A resident of Ohio, who had previously raised wild fowl under a federal permit, but failed to submit the required report of operations and continued to make sales and shipments without renewal of the permit, was arraigned in Federal court at Toledo, Ohio, found guilty, and fined $300 and costs.

To engage in the business of rearing and selling migratory waterfowl, says the bureau of biological survey, United States Department of Agriculture, it is first necessary to obtain a permit from the secretary of agriculture and then to comply with all requirements of state law.

These requirements are made under the migratory bird treaty act regulations to protect and perpetuate migratory species of birds passing each year between the United States and Canada.

Lets the World Go By

For the seventy-fourth consecutive season, Mrs. Richard T. Auchmuty of New York has arrived at her summer home, the Dormers, on the Lenox-Pittsfield road. She has never owned an automobile, has no listed telephone, no electric lights, no steam heat in her villa, nor a radio. She prefers to drive over the wooded roads in an open victoria. Glowing fagots in her fireplaces and kerosene lamps furnish heat and light. She is in her ninetieth year.—Boston Globe.

Not That Sick

Girl—I want a nice book for an invalid.

Librarian—Something religious?

Girl—No, not now. He's convalescent.

Cure for Optimism

The neurologist says optimists live longer than pessimists. They might if they didn't have such sublime faith in loose brakes.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Hen Lays Twin Eggs

A hen in Ulster lays two eggs at a times, sometimes three. The owner explains this by saying that the hen, a last year's pullet, had sunstroke when a month old. Since it has grown up the hen has on four days a week laid two eggs at a time, and has twice laid three.

Apotheosis of the Pancake

Sign in restaurant window—"Waffles of Class and Distinction."—Boston Transcript.

Canadian Lakes Beautiful

Among the seven reservations set aside by the government of Canada in the Rocky mountains there is none more beautiful than Waterton Lakes National park, which lies on the eastern slope of the Rockies where these mountains approach the international boundary. The park forms a rough square with a long L-shaped section added to the east, the whole having an area of about 220 square miles.

Newest American Sport

Critic-baiting has become an even greater and more typical American sport than framing prize fights or fixing horse races and championship baseball games. The man who practices professional criticism in this year of our Lord lives constantly in a metaphorical gashouse district, his head and seat in imminent prospect of bash and boot.—George Jean Nathan in Vanity Fair.

Profit by Past Errors

The past is gone, and gone forever. You may learn by your mistakes, but do not be guilty of the sin of constantly worrying over them. Turn your face toward the future. Give your mistakes and blunders a decent burial in the past, and let the memory of them furnish you with implements of industry by which you may operate the gold mine of future possibilities.—Exchange.

Fowls in Biblical Times

Partridges are noted in the Old Testament. The fatted fowl (I Kings, 4:23) is interpreted as either goose or duck. Cocks and hens were brought from Persia two or three centuries before Christ. A tomb at Marissa of about 200 B. C. has a good representation of a crowing cock. Sparrows and other "twittering birds" were also used for food.

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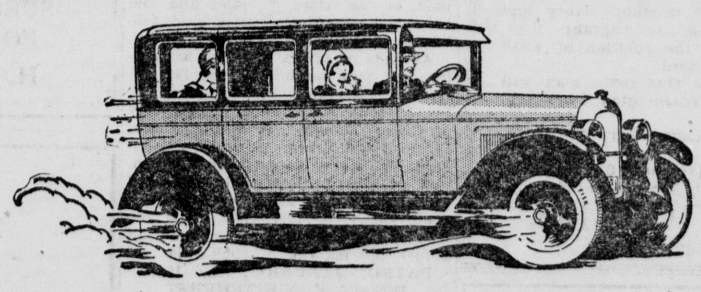

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NILES, CALIFORNIA

C. L. WILSON, Editor

Saturday, the town of Niles will be the recipient of one of the most useful, permanent and serviceable memorial gifts which it is possible to bestow. In deciding upon a library as a token of their regard for their home community, Mr. and Mrs. Ford have chosen wisely. Through a period of years a library may become, in its peculiarly quiet way, one of the greatest factors in promoting the welfare of a community. It is to be hoped that this beautiful new building may be used by an increasingly large number of people throughout the years; that it may serve as a pleasant recreation and study center and be available for use even more in the future than the library has in the past.

Niles' new library will be dedicated as a memorial to Mrs. Wm. H. Ford's mother, Jane R. Clough, one of the pioneers of this vicinity. During the fifty years of her residence here, Mrs. Clough was always identified with the church and other factors which were active in community betterment. She was a native of New York state, where her ancestors had founded the town of Palenville prior to the Revolutionary War. Mrs. Clough came to Niles at the time of her marriage to Barclay DeTully Clough which occurred February 23, 1868, and was a loved and respected resident until the time of her death, December 24, 1918.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

There will be considerable local color given to the services of the Niles Congregational church next Sunday when the minister speaks on the subject, "The Clough Memorial Library and its Values." In addition to this interesting and timely theme, the young people's choir will render a special number under the direction of Mrs. Charlotte Foster.

CHURCH SCHOOL NOTES

The "Banner" which has been in possession of Mrs. Roland's class for some time was won last Sunday by Mr. Seebart's class of boys. What will happen next Sunday remains to be seen.

The worship service next Sunday will be conducted by Mrs. Townsend's class of H. S. pupils.

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In the Matter of the Estate of LOGAN L. WHITEHURST, Deceased
Dept. 2. No. 13594.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE AT PRIVATE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the undersigned executrix of the last will and testament of Logan L. Whitehurst, deceased, will sell at private sale to the highest bidder upon the terms and conditions hereinafter mentioned, and subject to confirmation by the above entitled Superior Court, on or after Saturday, the 14th day of January, 1928, all the right, title, interest and estate of the said Logan L. Whitehurst at the time of his death, and all the right, title, interest and estate that the said estate has, by process of law or otherwise, acquired, other than, or in addition to that of the said deceased at the time of his death, of, in and to that certain piece and parcel of land situate, lying and being in the County of Alameda, (State of California), and described as follows, to-wit:

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DATED: JANUARY 4th, 1928.
JENNIE F. WHITEHURST
Executrix of the last will and testament of Logan L .Whitehurst, Deceased.

Mr. Dick Amyx is the new teacher of the Junior Boys class formerly taught by Mrs. J. C. Shinn who felt unable to continue because of other Sunday responsibilities.

Considerable interest was shown last Sunday in a large map of the world just acquired and hung on the walls. Various places to which the church school had sent gifts were located last Sunday and more will be located next Sunday.

The Christmas offering of over $8.00 was sent to the Christmas fund for needy retired Congregational ministers.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

The Niles C. E. was led last Sunday evening by Martha Crane. The subject was, "What does it mean to be a Christian," and it proved an interesting one. Many interesting views were presented by the goodly number of attendants present. A party is being planned for January 20th to be given at the Parsonage. The president, Dick Amyx, appointed all committees last Sunday.

The Study Club of the Niles church will meet at the parsonage again next Friday evening. At this meeting all are requested to present one written question for discussion and answer. Decision will also be made regarding the course to be followed regularly. Any person interested is invited. The meeting will be called at 7.30 and conclude at 9.00.

NEWARK

The week of prayer is being observed in the Presbyterian church. Meetings are held in the different homes every evening. e

The Intermediate Society of the C. E. under Mrs. Wilson's supervision, will have charge of next Sunday evening's program.

The McCall's are entertaining Mrs. McCall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Axtell of southern California; also Mrs. McCall's brother and his wife.

The missionary society met last week with Mrs. Grace Jr.In spite of the rain a good number were in attendance and a fine program enjoyed.

The Men's club met last Tuesday and enjoyed the program prepared by the commitee. It being ladies' night quite a number of the women were present.

Mrs. Neal from Georgia is visiting her daughter Mrs. Beardon.

Mrs. Cole, of Salt Lake City is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. B. Barton.

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LIBRARY HISTORY
CHRONICLES PROGRESS
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ty. At this time the library was incorporated as the Niles Free Public Library Association, and as before Mr. Jas. Clarke gave his services in having this work done. On Dec. 4, 1910, all of the rooms in the building not used for library purposes were rented to Mr. C. Runckel as a printing office for the local newspaper, "The Washington Press." The rental paid by Mr. Runckel was $7.50 per month and a further consideration was that Mrs. Runckel would act as librarian.

On Saturday evening, Feb. 4, 1911 the Niles Free Public Library became an Alameda County branch library. Mrs. Chris Runckel was appointed librarian with a salary of $20.00 per month. At this formal opening as a branch library a large number of local people took out subscription cards with dues at 25c per month. Mrs. J. C. Shinn put on a short sketch for the occasion called "The Suffragette." Those who took part in the play were Mrs. J. C. Shinn, Mrs. W. H. Ford, Miss Vivian Elis, Winifred Dew, Louise Runckel and Mr. Geo. L. Donovan.

In January, 1913, Mrs J. E. Thane took over the work of revising the by-laws. They were read over section by section at a regular meeting of the Library Assn. on January 21. 1913 and were adopted as read. Mrs Thane's splendid work was the means of keeping the library out of the local political disputes of that day.

At a meeting held at the residence of Mr. Wm. H. Ford on April 2, 1914, the resignation of Mrs. Chris Runckel as librarian was received and accepted and Mrs. E. Nichols who is now Mrs. Murray, was nominated to fill the vacancy.

At an annual meeting held in the library rooms on September 29, 1915, Mr. J. C. Shinn in his address pronounced the Niles' library in very good condition. He remarked that the town of Niles would one day have a handsome library building which would probably be built by the County Library authorities. Mr. J. C. Shinn's remarks were well received and it was hoped by those present that his words were prophetic.

Those who were members of the Library Association at this time were: M. B. Sneden, Mrs. Baldwin, Mr and Mrs J. C. Shinn, Mrs. Schofield, Mrs. E. Chittenden, Mr. and Mrs Chris Runckel, Mr and Mrs Geo. L. Donovan, Mrs F. Hudson, Rev. F. V. Jones, Mr Wm. Catterlin, Mr H. A. Mayhew and Mr I. H. Richards. Mr and Mrs Chas. Shinn and Mr E. Southwick, who had been identified with the library work in the early days were no longer members of the community.

During the war and for some years following, the interest in the upkeep of the library building almost died out, and the consequence was that the building got into a most deplorable condition. The situation looked almost hopeless as money was hard to raise, and the subscription list had faded away.

At this time Mrs. J. R. Whipple was appointed chairman of a committee to raise funds to renovate the building. She was assisted by Mrs J. E. Thane, Mrs F. H. Hudson and Mrs Wm. H. Ford. The work that these ladies accomplished was truly remarkable and yet with all their efforts they were only able to modify in a small way the dilapidated looks of the old library building. Right here was born a new idea for the welfare of Niles and the whole community. As Mrs Wm. H. Ford labored day after day to raise means to help the shabby old building there grew more and more in her heart a desire to see a beautiful library building in her home town. She had always passionately loved her home community and she held as priceless the associations that went back through the years. From her girlhood days she always looked forward to the annual blossoming of the almond, apricot and cherry trees; she knew of the haste and bustle of the harvest time. She saw the flaming banners on Mission Peak on the summer mornings and she saw the same mountain wrapped in sombre clouds on winter days, and she saw it turn from its summer gray to its beautiful green velvet each spring. With Mr. Ford she travelled the world over and as they stood admiring some beautiful spot like the Lakes of Killarney or a vista of the blue Mediterranean, one can hear her little laugh as she turned to Mr Ford and would say, "Yes, it is most beautiful, but somehow I love Niles best." And he usually agreed with her.

Knowing how her heart felt towards her home community, one can readily appreciate her feelings when Mr. Ford announced that he would build a beautiful library building and present it to the town of Niles in memory of her mother, Jane R. Clough. Mr. Ford outlined a general idea of what he thought could be done with a library building and submitted it to an architect. From a building to cost about $5000.00 it grew in Mr. Ford's mind with each new added detail and when completed, he had before him the drawings of a beautiful building to cost approximately $30,000. Having settled in his mind the main details of his building, Mr. Ford called together the Niles Library trustees at his home and announced his intentions. He mentioned that Mrs. Ford had worked for the upkeep of the old library year in and year out and he knew that she would rejoice in seeing a beautiful library in Nlies. He mentioned that Mrs. Ford was born in Niles, and that both loved it as their home. They were married there, he said, and had gone down the road of years together amid its associations. "This is our home," he said, "We have lived here all of our married lives and we will very likely have our home here to the enl."

The Library trusteest held a meeting a few days later on June 28, 1927, at which time the following letter was written to Mr. Ford:

Mr. Wm. H. Ford,
Niles, Calif.

My dear Mr. Ford, at a meeting of the Niles Public Library trustees held today at the residence of Mrs. J. E. Thane, your intention to build and present a beautiful library building to Niles was indorsed and the secretary was instructed to notify you. The trustees assure you that you have the gratitude of the whole community in this princely gift.

It wil stand as a monuuent to the kindliness and forethought of yourself and Mrs. Ford. It will add to the needs of your home town and will be a means to increase its prestige. It will stimulate the pride of every resident of Niles in his town.

It is bound to be the means of many needed improvements in Niles. and while this is really a noble gift, and the will to want to do this thing is very laudable, still to my mind it reaches its highest point in the simple gesture which bestows on every member of the community something of real intrinsic and lasting value.

Very truly yours,
Geo. L. Donovan, secy.

No gift to the people has more far reaching benefits than a library.

From the beginning of civilization libraries have been built and presented to the people and always it has been the idea of some noble soul for the dissemination of knowledge and for the advancement of the race.

No library was ever built with a higher motive than the Jane R. Clough Memorial Library. It was inspired by reverence to a noble woman and the supreme love of a homeland.

Nles is indeed fortunate that we have among us, one with the generosity of Wm. H. Ford, and like Helen Clough Ford, whose inspiration was the means of the building and presentation to the town of this incomparable architectural jewel. May the memory of Jane R. Clough be ever green. May her name go down through the years as the sweet and kindly pioneer mother. May the sweetness of Helen Clough Ford's life be an example and a stimulus to those who may in far off days walk these library floors. May the generosity of Wm. H Ford be the means of kindling ambition in the hearts of those who will enjoy this library in the years to come. May it be the means of bringing the community together for its greater growth and prosperity and a greater peace and happiness. It is a pleasure to know that our children's children may enjoy in their day this beautiful library which we in ours have seen brought into existence by the urgings of a noble heart.

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California Ranch News

Manager Arthur Long of the Globe Gin at McFarland, Kern county, reports that about 90 per cent of the available cotton is now ginned. This gin has turned out 1,852 bales this season, with 940 bales still in the storage yard.

Plans of Miller & Lux, Inc., to place more than 100,000 additional acres of their holdings in Fresno and Madera counties under irrigation, were disclosed at Sacramento last week when three applications for water from the San Joaquin river were filed with the state division of water rights.

A total of 160,000 acres in California were planted for rice in 1927 and the estimated production as compiled by the California Crop Reporting Service of the state department of agriculture is 8,960,000 bushels. This is nearly 1,000,000 bushels more than the production in 1926, which was figured at 7,986,000 bushels from 149,000 acres.

Approximately 7,000 stands of bees are maintained for production of honey in Kern county at this time, according to a partial survey completed by Paul Higley, deputy horticultural commissioner of Kern county. Higley is president of a newly formed bee keepers' association dedicated to advancement of the honey industry in Kern county.

Ninety-eight per cent of the rice planted last year in the Glenn-Colusa irrigation district was harvested. This is according to figures compiled by officials of the district. This record is held to be considerably better than that of other rice-growing districts of the state.

The walnut industry of the state experienced an extremely successful season in spite of the heaviest crop on record, placed at around 786,000 100-pound bags of merchantable unshelled walnuts. The marketing season has been extremely successful in spite of the heavy crop, and close to 90 per cent of the crop in the association, which controls 85 per cent, has been sold, with some grades now entirely disposed of.

Pomegranate growers of Tulare county have just been apprised of the fact that they are to receive 2 cents per pound net or $40 a ton for the fruit produced during the recent season. The crop throughout Tulare county, where a large percentage of the state's pomegranates are produced, was noticeably short and presumably this had much to do with the high average price obtained. Some growers, not connected with exchanges, will receive slightly lower prices. Only thirteen cars were shipped by one plant in the Terra Bella district as compared to twenty-five cars sent out last year. All of Tulare county had an output of only seventy cars this season.

"California agriculture faces the most serious dislocation visited upon it in years if the measures designed to limit the immigration of Mexican labor, which are now before Congress, should become law. The resultant confusion following upon the sudden shutting off of the state's last supply of itinerant farm labor would be felt not only in the agricultural field but through all industry." This was the opinion of Robert Welles Ritchie, assistant agricultural director of the California Development Association, who was in Sacramento last week to make important contracts in the campaign the association is waging to urge upon Congress the necessity of a thorough investigation of all angles of the Mexican immigration problem before taking action thought to be a menace to California's interests.

The pleasing story of the California citrus industry, which received an f. o. b. return of $120,000,000 for its crop, has been widely told. However, it will bear emphasizing. This income was the highest yet on record by $22,000,000, and was secured in spite of the fact that the crop was the largest in history, with over 70,000 cars being moved. Several important new developments were noted. Perhaps the most interesting was the great increase in exports, which ran close to 750,000 boxes.

That the Southland should take steps to combat a possible invasion of the corn borer from the east, was the warning issued by Robert A. Condee of the California Junior Republic, upon his return recently from a visit to eastern agricultural centers. Mr. Condee said no sure remedy has yet been found to stop the spread of the corn borer pest. California's celery and cotton crops would be menaced, should the pest invade California, he believes, as the pest does not confine its activities solely to corn.

Los Angeles county, which boasts of the greatest bearing acreage of citrus fruits and walnuts in California, should benefit by the higher returns for these crops. Other specialties of the county saw a higher price range, too, and it is expected that when the final returns are computed, the county agricultural production will have reached close to $95,000,000.

Citrus growers of California are showing the greatest interest in the contest to determine the "world's champion orange grower," which will be featured at the Eighteenth National Orange Show, to be held in San Bernardino February 16-26. To date more than fifty entries have been received from many sections of the state, these coming from citrus growers who market their fruit through practically every association in that line of business.

Fluctuations in grain prices were limited during 1927, the feature of the marketing being found in the fact that, despite abundant crops, the farmer received more for his products than in any of the last seven years in the United States. The estimated value of all crops is given in the final Government report at $8,428,626,000, based on the December 1 farm price and including some fifty crops. Compared with the 1926 figure of $7,793,480,000, last year's valuation shows an increase of $635,146,000. Yield of all wheat in the United States was estimated at 871,691,000 bushels, with the value to the farmer $974,694,000.

California rice growers generally and the board of directors of the Rice Growers' Association have indorsed state inspection and grading of rice under direction of the Department of Agriculture, according to a departmental statement issued at Sacramento last week. "During the 1927 season, through the inspection service rendered by the State Department of Agriculture," said the statement, "large shipments of rice from California were sent to Japan, enabling California rice growers to dispose of their surplus which otherwise would have had a very depressing effect on the market."

The grape movement exceeded that of 1926, according to a report from the State Agricultural Bureau, and about equalled the record movement of 1925, when 76,000 cars were rolled. Latest data on the 1927 movement showed that over 75,000 cars had been shipped. On one day, September 30, 1811 cars were shipped out of the state and during the week September 28-October 4, 10,047 cars were rolled. The first 55,000 cars brought satisfactory prices to the juice grape grower, but the least said about the remaining shipments the better. The latter part of the Emperor deal was not so bad. Due to the heavier shipments, the total return to the grape industry was placed at $6,000,000 greater than that of 1926.

Direct leased-wire service to Fresno during the grape-shipping season, which is being planned by the State and Federal Departments of Agriculture, will provide growers and shippers of grapes with data on the daily markets in the east. According to advices received from Sacramento, the department expects to have the service in operation for three months during the period of heaviest shipping of grapes. The information is now carried to San Francisco on leased wires and relayed to Fresno for distribution by mail, delaying receipt by growers and shippers until the following day in most instances. Under the new arrangement it will be available on the same day.

A new year of increased prosperity for the farmers of California is seen by G. H. Hecke, state director of agriculture, in a statement issued last week. "During the past few years, the farmers have been laboring under rather difficult financial conditions," said the agricultural chief. "This was particularly the case in 1926. While it is true that the market prices for certain commodities in 1927 were lower than the actual cost of production, the industry as a whole is now in a better condition than at the close of last year. And as we go into the new year, the hope seems well founded that there will be a further improvement during 1928."

The growing of seed potatoes is developing rapidly as an industry in the Porterville district. Guy Lowe, one of the principal growers, reports an unusually large acreage yield. With a nine-acre planting Mr. Lowe says he produced a total of 2,116 sacks, or an average of 224 sacks per acre, the best acre producing 265 sacks. Another field of fourteen acres, yielded 2,407, or 172 sacks per acre. Thus the twenty-three acres produced 4,423 sacks, or an average of 192 sacks.

At the conclusion of another year of experimentation in his effort to produce a perfumed gladiolus, Will Henderson, who spent a number of years at Santa Rosa with Luther Burbank in his work with plant life, expressed the belief that in another year he will have produced the scented flower. Henderson is working on the flowers in Fresno county. Before his death, Burbank declared young Henderson was already able to do things with nature as he did them. Henderson is striving to follow in the footsteps of the plant wizard.

CALIFORNIA NEWS BRIEFS

Elwood A. Stevenson, former school official of New York, Kansas and Minnesota, was last week appointed president of the California State School for the Deaf at Berkeley and chief of the State Bureau for Education of the Deaf.

Revocation of the licenses of sixty-three California motorists for various violations of the motor vehicle laws, especially drunken driving, was announced last week by Frank G. Snook, chief of the State Division of Motor Vehicles.

Merritt Coates of San Francisco was a few days ago appointed actuary of the State Pension Commission, which is studying feasibility of establishing a pension system for state employees. W. A. Johnstone, head of the State Civil Service Commission, announced the appointment and said that Professor A. H. Mowbray of the University of California will assist the commission as consulting actuary.

Do your brakes hold? Better check on them or the traffic officer will. Following a resolution recently passed by the California Public Safety Conference, Frank G. Snook, chief of the Division of Motor Vehicles, announced a rigid brake inspection for the coming month throughout the state. Motorists who fail to observe the requirements of the law regarding brakes will be subject to arrest, the chief states.

California grown Italian Cypress trees propagated from seed gathered in the Garden of Gethsemane, which were distributed last year by M. B. Pratt, state forester, created such an unusual demand that the supply was virtually exhausted, but nevertheless two will go forward within a few days with Lemmon, South Dakota, as their destination.

The oil industry of California was urged last week to cease drilling more wells along the beaches of the state until a satisfactory plan of protection to the beaches can be worked. In a formal statement, Governor C. C. Young pointed out that California's beaches, one of the greatest single scenic attractions of the state, are now in jeopardy because of the continual drilling for oil on the tidelands.

California will add a $200,000 Kellogg cereal factory to its industries during 1928. "The site for the factory has not been selected," W. K. Kellogg, president of the Kellogg Cereal Company, announced at San Francisco when he arrived on the President Wilson on a round-the-world tour. "The machinery, however, has been ordered, and plans have been completed to devote this plant to manufacture of an entirely new product."

A state-wide campaign to arrange financial co-operative agreements with county governments in the protection of forest lands from fire is to be launched this week by the Division of Forestry, State Department of Natural Resources. The campaign will begin at Redding, where State Forester M. B. Pratt is to appear before the Shasta County Board of Supervisors.

Oil field operations reported to State Oil and Gas Supervisor R. D. Bush during the week ended December 31, 1927, show twenty-four new wells started, compared with twenty-six during the previous week. Of the twenty-four notices to drill filed, eleven were for wells in Long Beach; one in Huntington Beach, one in San Bernardino county, six in Ventura county, one in Cat Canyon, three in Kern county, and one in Sonoma county. The total new wells for 1927 are 1,263.

A new venture in California's adult education program was announced by the state department of education with the opening in Tulare County last week of the first of a series of "week-end schools." The Tulare classes are to be held each Friday night this month and next and will afford residents an opportunity to discuss problems of government with state officials. These problems will have to do with finances, education, industrial relations and development, social welfare, parent education and water rights.

With the passing of 1927 as far as state business was concerned, California saw the end of the best year for new business enterprises that it has witnessed since 1924. Statistics compiled at the office of Frank C. Jordan, secretary of state, show that during 1927 there were incorporation papers filed by 5,030 corporations, on which the state collected $404,961 in filing fees. These compared with 4,763 incorporation papers filed in 1926 on which $388,960 was collected. The 1924 document total was 5,070 and that of 1925 was 4,863.

Governor C. C. Young, whose commission now is investigating California's tax system, has been invited by J. W. Wheeler, president of the Pacific Northwest Real Estate Association, to sit in on a tax equalization meeting in Portland on January 12 and 13. Wheeler also has asked Alexander R. Heron, director of finance and a member of the tax commission, to attend the session and to address it on California's tax problems. The conference is to be attended by representatives from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana.

The prohibition proverb, "A still a day keeps liquor away," was executed at better than 100 per cent during 1927, according to figures released last week by E. R. Bohner, prohibition administrator. Instead of holding to one still each day, Northern California enforcement officers raided 377 stills, ranging in value, plus accessories, from $1,000 to $100,000.

The University of California is given high rank in the field of science in the latest compilation of graduates and faculty members of the various universities who have achieved fame in these branches of learning made by the editors of "American Men of Science." It shares second place on the list with the University of Chicago in the number of leading scientists produced and eighth place where both graduate and bachelor degrees are considered.

A movement for a pilgrimage of America's "Gold Star" mothers, as guests of the Federal Government, to the military cemeteries of Europe, where their sons lie buried, was endorsed at Sacramento by Governor C. C. Young last week. In a letter to James W. Foxall of West Chester, Penn., chairman of the "Gold Star" Mothers' Pilgrimage, Governor Young said he knew no better way" of signifying to these mothers that the country has not forgotten their supreme sacrifice.

The net cost of California's state government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1927—the last year of the Richardson budget regime—was $85,247,963.26, an increase of $2,412,711.93 over the previous year. In his annual statement on governmental costs, State Controller Ray L. Riley last week announced total expenditures of $113,083,473.14 for the last fiscal period and indicated the deductions for transfers, revolving funds and similar items which give the actual net cost of state business.

Recommendations for the retirement of twenty-six veteran California teachers have been approved by the state board of education in session at Sacramento. In the matters of years of service, Janette Ephrain of San Francisco heads the list. She has taught in the San Francisco public schools for fifty-one years, and Mary E. Crowley, also of San Francisco, has forty-nine years to her credit. Other retirements include those of William M. Hyman of Woodland, thirty years, and Ivy Ethel Eldredge of Chico, fifteen years.

Armed with a supply of booklets sixteen inches tall, depicting scenes of San Francisco and bearing a title of "California, the State That Saved Woodrow Wilson in 1916," five San Francisco committeemen left last week for Washington, D. C., in an effort to bring the Democratic convention next summer to San Francisco. The booklets were arranged and published by the San Francisco Convention and Tourist League, and were given the full approval of H. H. McPike, chairman of the State Democratic Central Committee.

The California bar's committee on bar examinations met in San Francisco last week to elect officers and set dates for the next examinations. George H. McNoble of Stockton was elected chairman and A. G. Tasheira of Oakland and John K. Biby of Los Angeles, vice chairmen. Frederick W. Kant was continued as secretary. Dates set for bar examinations were: Preliminary, February 25th, at San Francisco, and February 27th, at Los Angeles; February 28th and 29th, oral examinations at San Francisco and Los Angeles; March 1st and 2nd, written examinations at San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Bulletins instructing all branch offices of the division of motor vehicles that no extension of time will be granted any California motorist who fails to make application for his 1928 license plates before January 31 were issued at Sacramento last week by Frank G. Snook, chief of the division. No person, no matter what his excuse, will be permitted to avoid payment of the 100 per cent penalty if his application is not placed in the mails before midnight of that date, the bulletin said.

Direct ferry service between San Francisco and San Rafael is proposed by the Golden Gate Ferry Company, which filed an application last week with the State Railroad Commission for permission to operate such a line. A. O. Stewart, president of the ferry company, declared the innovation is "in line with our policy of seeking out for motorists the shortest and most direct routes of ingress and egress over San Francisco Bay."

What is believed to be California's second volcano was discovered near Alturas recently by forest rangers on exploration cruises into the interior of the Modoc National Forest in Modoc county. A series of steam vents and boiling pumice flats on the summit of Glass mountain was discovered by J. D. Howard of Klamath Falls, who found the vents from which steam could be seen issuing and from which rose a distinctly sulphuric odor.

The state highway commission will make a complete allocation of funds accruing to the state under the additional 1 cent gasoline tax during the remainder of the biennium, to the primary and secondary roads of California, at its meeting to be held in Sacramento January 12. This is the announcement by Bert B. Meek, state director of public works. The allocation must have the endorsement of the governor before it becomes final. New construction funds from the third cent in the gas tax are expected by state officials to exceed $9,000,000

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Lesson for January 15

JESUS AND SINNERS

LESSON TEXT—Mark 2:1-17.

GOLDEN TEXT—I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Jesus Forgives a Sinner.

JUNIOR TOPIC—Jesus Heals and Forgives.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Jesus Shows His Sympathy and Power.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Jesus' Power to Make Whole.

I. Jesus Preaching the Word (vv 1, 2).

1. The surging crowd (v. 2).

So great was the crowd gathered about the house where Jesus was stopping, that there was no room to receive them. As soon as it was noised about that Jesus was in the house, the multitudes gathered.

2. What Jesus preached unto them (v. 2).

He preached unto them the Word of God. He always preached the Word before He wrought miracles, for to make known the will of God was His supreme mission. Miracles were not an end in themselves, but to authenticate His work. The people came, some to be healed, and some out of curiosity. He gave them that which they needed, regardless of the motive which actuated their coming.

II. Jesus Forgiving Sins (vv. 3-5)

The man brought to Him was suffering from the dread disease of palsy, but his most deadly affliction was that of sin. This miracle was wrought by Jesus in confirmation of His message.

1. Faith coming to Jesus (v. 3).

The actuating impulse of the palsied man and the four friends who carried him was faith.

2. Faith overcoming difficulties (v. 4).

Though prevented by the crowd from coming to Jesus, they ascended the outer stairway and let the afflicted man down through the roof.

3. Faith rewarded (v. 5).

No word was uttered either by the paralytic or his bearers. Their action was enough. The paralytic got more than he expected. He desired healing of the body and he got bodily healing plus forgiveness of sins.

III. Jesus Answering the Scribes (vv. 6-10).

1. Their objections (vv. 6, 7). They asked:

(1) Why does He thus speak? (2) Who can forgive sin?

They were entirely right in their reasonings that only God can forgive sins. Their blunder was in not perceiving Him to be God.

2. Jesus' answer (vv. 8-10).

He knew their inner thoughts and reasonings and manifested unto them His essential deity in that He had power to know their thoughts. He inquired, "Which is easier to say, thy sins be forgiven thee, or to say, arise and take up thy bed and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, He saith to the sick of the palsy, I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house." He was willing that His power in the invisible realm should be tested by His power in the visible.

IV. Jesus Healing the Paralytic (vv. 11, 12).

1. His healing was by the direct method—speaking the Word (v. 11). Christ's words are enough. With the command was given the strength to obey. That which Christ commands He gives the strength to perform.

2. The obedience of the man (v. 12).

He immediately arose, took up his bed and went forth before them all. The poor helpless man walked away with his bed upon his shoulder.

3. The people were amazed, and glorified God (v. 12). They said, "We never saw it on this fashion."

V. Jesus Eating With Publicans and Sinners (vv. 13-17).

1. The call of Levi (v. 14). Levi was a tax-gatherer under the Roman government. As Jesus passed by, He commanded Levi to leave his business and follow Him.

2. Jesus dining in Levi's house (v. 15). It seems that Levi, when he found the Savior, invited many of his business associates to eat with him. This gave an opportunity to Jesus to come into touch with these sinners.

3. The perplexed scribes and pharisees (v. 16). They asked, "How is it that He eateth and drinketh with publicans and sinners?"

4. Jesus' reply (v. 17). "They that are whole have no need of the physician. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

Our Future

We never know for what God is preparing us in His schools; for what work on earth, for what work in the hereafter. Our business is to do our work well in the present place, whatever that may be.—Christian Exponent.

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The prophecy that it will be only a few years before the working day in great cities will be 24 hours, is made by an editorial writer in Barron's Financial Weekly. Night trucking, he points out, will be the start, but trucking in the large cities like New York, if carried on at night, means night work for many other businesses. Labor costs, he thinks, would raise, but this would be largely offset by the decrease in loss from slow transit.

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Charming Designs in Chic Lingerie

Daintiness Marks Interesting Models; Garments Aim at Convenience.

Lingerie is the one part of a woman's dress in which no season is marked. Whatever the time of year, a woman is always on the qui vive for fresh, attractive things. There is an exceptional assortment making its appearance, advises a fashion writer in the New York Times, in which are seen many charming designs, fine materials and trimmings, and a dainty style. A toning down is noticeable from the type of underdress that has been in vogue for several years—from the tailored and dainty type, that is, which made their appearance when fashion was trying to break away from the very conservative style usually described, for lack of a better word, as "Victorian." The newest models reflect in a marked way the feminine tendency which is now seen in all dress for women. They are chic and exquisite, and yet decidedly practical.

The modern idea of what is practical, of course, is far removed from the old fashions, in which actual physical protection was a consideration. The up-to-the-minute "undies" are of the most decollete style, sleeveless, abbreviated and sheer, and becomingness is the first consideration. This new type reflects the general preference for light materials—which is very well since long coats are so fashionable, and all wraps are warmly lined, and almost every woman possesses at least one fur coat.

Specially Designed Lingerie.

Modistes, French and American, are giving special attention to the design of lingerie, and even in the most prominent houses are shown fine undergarments, some of which are as much the original creation of the couturiere as the most important costumes. All of the best pieces show unmistakably the hand of the creator and a chemise is now selected as a gown is, according to a woman's preference for the style of, say Vionnet, whose flair is for plain tailored design, with intricate sections and mosaics; of Premet, whose lingerie is as stylish as the gowns; of Jenny, with her youthful models, or of Phillipe et Gaston, with their elegance.

The changes this season are to be seen mostly in the details. The step-in, or envelope, chemise is still the principal item in the layout, but some desirable innovations are shown that make for greater comfort and better appearance. The latest model is designed to meet several requirements in one. Its upper part fits just like a dress bodice, extending to a low

Convenience and Beauty Combined in Kimono of Silk and Rayon.

waistline. At the top is inset a yoke of stout lace, which answers the purpose of a camisole. The lower edge of this is cut in a V, which adds to the fit and style of the garment, and the usual ribbons are attached for shoulder straps.

Bloomers shaped like any drawers are made short and slightly full and are gathered to the bottom of the bodice and trimmed with lace like that at the top, which is set in, also, in point.

One attractive model, which introduces some innovations, has a seam at the waistline, with a yoke fitting the hips, and bloomers—which are scarcely more than flounces—made almost as full attached to the lower edge. In these the front is sewn on plain, and the fullness necessary for freedom of movement is achieved with gathers at each side and across the back. The severely tailored effect of this model is relieved by a narrow lace frill around the bottom of the bloomers.

Still another one-piece of the more tailored type has a wide band of Irish lace for its camisole top and a bodice that is pointed in front and made to fit smoothly over the hips. Fullness is given its lower part by a cluster of tucks at each side.

Most of the one-piece models are more intricate in design and far less simple to compose than the straight styles of last year. Those made without camisole tops have a set-in panel at each side, which is gathered to the chemise with fine needlework, hemstitching, fagoting or a narrow beading of lace. This panel is usually laid in narrow plaits, which are very chic, and the fullness is arranged to give width over the bust. A type of chemise that is considered very smart is made plain at the top to show off the fine needlework, embroidery, drawnwork and lace or muslin used for inserts. The lower part of all the one-piece models is accurately fitted to insure perfect smoothness under the gown.

Daintiest Nightgowns.

Nightgowns are particularly charming in this season's lingerie styles. They are remarkably sheer and decollete. Sleeves are nonexistent and fabrics are delicate as gossamer. One model is cut with very deep arm holes and a round neck, which shows

Fashionable Coat of Crepe Satin and Marabout Over Nightgown.

the upper arm, and the top is formed of an oval yoke of batiste embroidered in a fine lacey pattern. The lower part of the gown is attached to the yoke with a cluster of fine plaits at each side of the front. The back is without fullness, and the bottom is cut with a rounded edge, back and front, and opens several inches at the sides.

In another design the gown is high at the back and the front opens in a V almost to the waistline. A band of lovely needlework done on fine net is used to finish its neck and deep arm holes, and a cluster of small tucks, three or four inches deep, on each shoulder gives the necessary width to the gown. This is one of many models on which are seen belts of narrow ribbon, which are fastened at the waistline at the back and tied loosely in front.

Not all of the latest underwear is of either the modest violet or tailored type. Single chemises, step-ins and whole sets are made of the thinnest materials, and often with a great deal of embroidery or a lavish use of lace. In a charming ensemble of peach-colored 'ninon" the top and armholes of the nightgown are formed of real point de Paris lace, as are the yoke of the chemise and set-in panels at the sides, and the short drawers, which are cut to flare wide at the bottom, have side insets and edge of narrow point de Paris.

Bizarre things are shown in all lace, black chantilly and black point d'esprit being the choice of those who like the theatrical. The cloud-like smaller garments and gowns made of chiffon in pale blue, nile green, flesh, shell pink and peach colors are entrancing, and their delicate loveliness is emphasized by the use of fine laces.

In Occasional Garments.

Along with the more conventional modes in lingerie are shown some striking new styles in occasional garments. Few novelties in night pajamas have appeared, but some models for wear as lounging suits are shown. These have a decidedly Chinese feeling both as to design and material. The trousers are long and straight and the jacket opens at one side and has the neck line of a Chinese coat. A delicate touch is added with a soft sash of silk made of the same material and color as the suit or of a contrasting color, which is tied loosely at one side of the front.

Some of the more elaborate pajamas have a longer, tunic-shaped coat, and trousers that fit more snugly down to the ankles. One suit is made from a genuinely old, embroidered mandarin coat, and has trousers adapted to the modern woman of fashion. The deep orange material is embroidered with blue and gold, and the color is repeated in a sash of orange crepe, which but slightly confines the coat about the hips.

A dainty fluff of a garment to serve as a bed or boudoir jacket is made of pale blue chiffon with flesh-colored chiffon lining and is trimmed all around the edge with pale blue marabout. Another, more practical is of quilted taffeta, lined with crepe de chine.

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Lesson for January 22

JESUS AND THE LAW

LESSON TEXT—Mark 2:18-3:6.

GOLDEN TEXT—Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets. I am not come to destroy but to fulfill.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Doing Good on the Lord's Day.

JUNIOR TOPIC—How to Use the Lord's Day.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC— How Jesus Obeyed the Law.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Jesus Declares the Higher Law

I. Jesus and Fasting (vv. 18-22).

1. The questions asked (v. 18).

The scribes and pharisees seeing Jesus eating with the publicans and sinners, raised the question as to why He did so. When Jesus heard their question He declared, "They that are whole have no need of the physician but they that are sick." Another question was then asked as to why Christ's disciples did not fast when the disciples of John and of the pharisees did fast? John the Baptist was now in prison, therefore his disciples were mourning for him.

2. Christ's answer (vv. 19, 20).

In explanation He raised the question, "Can the children of the bride chamber fast while the bridegroom is with them?" He then declared that as long as they have the bridegroom with them they cannot fast. The time will come, however, when they would fast. He is now away. Fasting, therefore, is appropriate.

3. New wine in old bottles (vv. 21, 22).

The bottles mentioned here were made of skins of animals. In the fermentation of the wine there was expansion which stretched the skin. To put new wine in the bottle after it was stretched would cause it to be rent asunder when fermentation took place. The same thing in principle would be realized if new cloth were used on old garments. The teaching designed was to show the foolishness of imposing old customs on the new age.

II. The Disciples Plucking Ears of Corn on the Sabbath (Mark 2:23-28)

1. The charge made against the disciples (vv. 23, 24).

Perhaps they were on their way to the synagogue to worship when they plucked the ears of corn. For this act the pharisees accused them of lawlessness.

2. Jesus defends them against the charge (vv. 25-28).

(1) He cites a precedent (vv. 25, 26)

He showed them that the very law which they charged the disciples with breaking recorded the fact that David the great king of Israel had gone into the house of God and eaten the bread which should be eaten only by the priests.

(2) He shows the nature of a Sabbath law (v. 27).

The Sabbath was made for man, therefore its right use is to be determined by the good of man. The laws of honesty, truth, purity and love differ from the law of the Sabbath and there is no circumstance or condition under which they may be departed from.

(3) Jesus is the Lord of the Sabbath (v. 28).

It was He who instituted it when creation was finished, therefore He had a right to use it as it pleased Him for man's good.

III. Jesus Healing a Man's Withered Hand on the Sabbath (3:1-6)

1. The place—the synagogue (v. 1).

Jesus' example shows what He did on the Sabbath. He went to the place of worship. The presence of the man with a withered hand gave Jesus an opportunity to administer a rebuke to the pharisees.

2. The pharisees watching (v. 2.)

They knew that Jesus would be interested in this helpless man. They surmised that some work would have to be performed to heal him.

3. The man made an example (v. 3)

Jesus wanted the case to be open to all, so He commanded the man to stand forth where all could see him.

4. The question asked (v. 4).

"Is it lawful to do good on the Sabbath day, or to do evil, to save life, or to kill?" He made the issue clear; He plainly showed them that to fail to do good, to show works of mercy, to save life, is to be guilty of wrongdoing, even of murder.

5. The man healed (v. 5).

Christ healed him by speaking the Word, so they could not accuse Him.

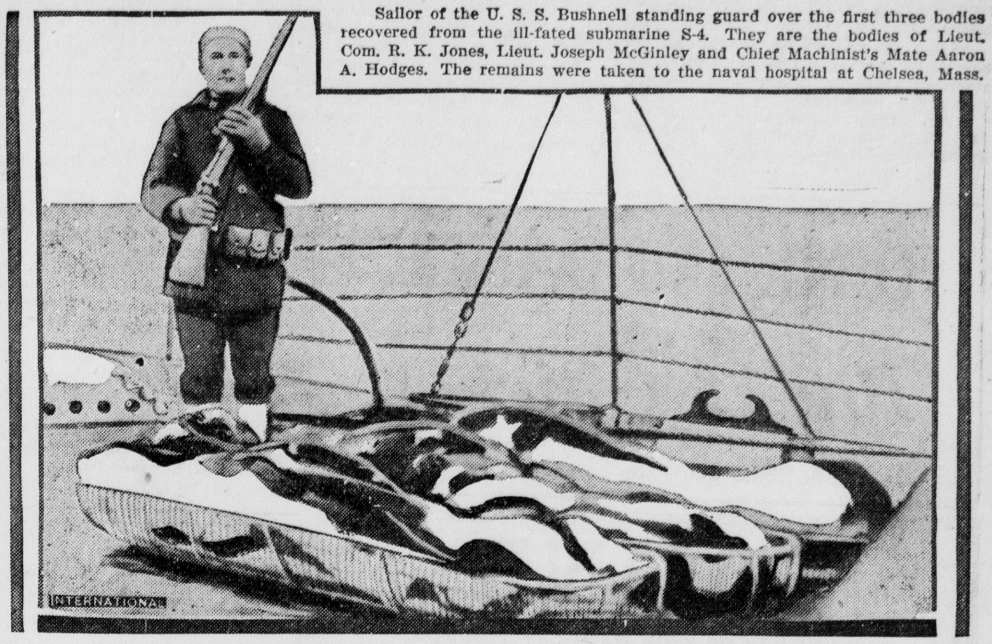
6. The result (vv. 4, 6).

The pharisees were silenced. There was no ground upon which to accuse Him. But since their hearts were bent upon His destruction they sought how they might put Him to death.

The Richest Treasure

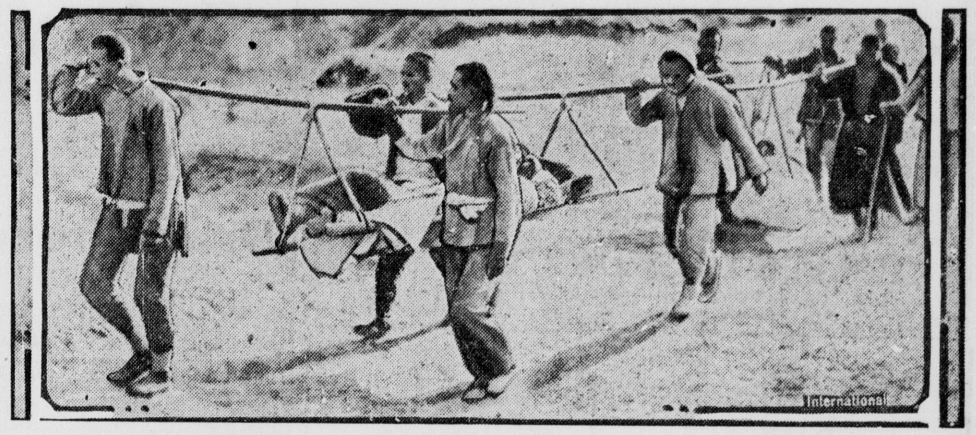
The richest treasure that ever comes into any human heart is that "love divine all love excelling" that is the "joy of heaven to earth come down." How it lifts the soul away from things earthly, sensual, sordid! What sweetness and richness of soul communion with God it brings! What heart-to-heart fellowship and communion between the people of God! What tenderness toward the sinful the erring, causing its possessor to see their worth and desire and seek their salvation.—J. S. MacG.

Guarding Bodies Taken From the Sunken Submarine



Sailor of the U. S. S. Bushnell standing guard over the first three bodies recovered from the ill-fated submarine S-4. They are the bodies of Lieut. Com. R. K. Jones, Lieut. Joseph McGinley and Chief Machinist's Mate Aaron A. Hodges. The remains were taken to the naval hospital at Chelsea, Mass.

Scene During Sixty-Day Siege of Chochow, China

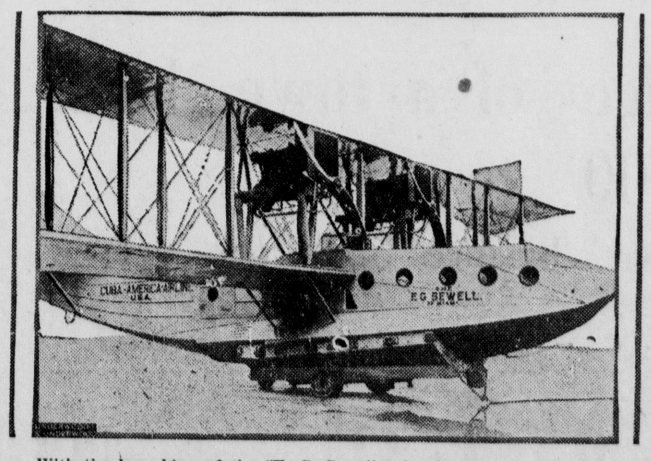


For sixty days the Ankuochun or northern forces besieged the city of Chochow, China, where Shansi troops were cooped up. All modern methods of warfare were employed and finally the defenders were forced to surrender. The photograph shows some of the wounded being carried from the scene of conflict.

Hanna's Granddaughter Elopes

Charlotte Hanna, granddaughter of the late Mark Hanna, eloped with Richard Hume, young Washington bank examiner, and was married without the knowledge of her parents. She is the niece of Mrs. Medill McCormick. Mrs. Hume is shown here with her favorite mount.

Flagship of Cuba-America Airline



With the launching of the "E. G. Sewell," flagship of the Cuba-America airline, a further step was taken toward the regular running of hydroaeroplanes between the American continent and the island of Cuba. The Sewell, which was built at the naval air station at Rockaway, is named after the mayor of Miami, Fla. She carries a crew of three men and is expected to take 16 passengers and their baggage from New York to Havana in 12 hours.

HAS HUGE TASK

Dr. Eric Colban, Norwegian member of the League of Nations, who is now engaged in the task of disarming the whole world. Doctor Colban was appointed director of disarmament for the League of Nations.

ACCUSED OF MURDER

Portrait, by telephoto from Los Angeles, of Dr. Charles McMillan, who is accused of the murder of Mrs. Amelia Appleby, a wealthy widow. Her body was found near San Fernando, Calif., sewed in a canvas sack.

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H. A. Scandrett, vice president of the Union Pacific railroad, who has been elected president of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad.

DOCUMENTS PLACED IN CORNER STONE OF NEW NILES LIBRARY

A list of contents of the strong box which was sealed in the corner stone of the new library here, includes the following:

Photo of Mrs. Clough. Photo of Mrs Helen Clough Ford and Wm. H. Ford. Photo of architect J. J. Donovan. Essay by Theo Elliot of Niles Photos old Valley Mills, new Bridge, and new schoolhouse. Copy one of the invitations to the ceremony. Photo of members of association taken Jan. 10, 1928. Township Register, Jan. 5, 1928. Letter of Irving-Grammar School. Copy of first page of S.F.Examiner, Jan. 12,1928. Booklet of Niles Chamber of Commerce. ton Chamber of Commerce; one from Men's club of Washington Township. Corn and Wheat. List of school children of Niles grammar school. Note by Mrs. Murray. Letter of Alvarado C. of C. The Washington News, Jan. 7, 1928. Township Register June 30, 1927. History of Washington Township. Township Register, Jan. 12, 1928. A tribute from Niles lodge No. 382, I.O.O.F. Oakland Tribune Wed. evening, Jan. 11, 1928. Letters from C. of C. of Alvarado, Centerville Decoto, Irvington, Mission San Jose, Newark, Niles.

The following lodges: Rebeka, Hazel Circle of Friends, De Guadalupe Institute Y.L.I., Ladies of Maccabees, Lena Loma Parlor, Niles lodge, 382 I. O. O. F.

Letter from Alameda County Free Library, Niles Library Board, Martha Washington Circle, Country Club, and Centerville Guild.

Mrs. Thane and Mrs. Whipple were in charge of the collection of the material for this box.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

PARTY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

The Christian Endeavor of the Niles church will hold a party at the Congregational parsonage on next Friday eve. Invitations have been sent out to 24 young people and a jolly evening is promised to all who come. Mr. Leone Amyx is chairman of the games committee. The "Trio" will handle refreshments and the invitation chairman is Dorothy Smith.

STUDY CLUB POSTPONED.

Due to plans previously made for the C. E. party, the Study Club of the church will hold its next meeting Saturday the 21st from 7:30 to 9:00. They will meet at the parsonage and the invitation is open to all interested in a study of the "Message of the New Testament For Today." This course is obtained through the Extension Department of the University of Chicago and should prove to be adequate for the student's needs.

APPRECIATE FLORAL OFFERING

The rather large attendance at church last Sunday enjoyed the beautifl complimentary boquet presented to the church by Mrs. and Mr. Wm. H. Ford, following the dedication of the Clough Memorial Library. The floral offering was especially appropriate in view of the fact that the sermon for the morning was "The Clough Memorial Library, its Significance to the Community."

THE BOOKS IN OUR MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The above subject will be the theme for the morning message at the Niles Congregational church next Sunday morning. This will be somewhat of a continuation of last Sunday's theme but will deal specifically with the question, "What Shall We Place on our Library Shelves?"

RECORD ATTENDANCE

The best attendance recorded for several Sundays was Jan. 15, when almost sixty pupils were present for the regular session of the church school. Class 6 took the banner for the day. Class 6 also reported having cleaned the church steeple of the remnants of last years sparrow nests. A special feature was a Worship Service conducted by the H. S. class. Next Sunday the Intermediate Girls will have charge of this period.

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A Butti, charged with the ownership of a huge still, which was found by a raiding party from the district attorney's office, last week, was arraigned before Judge Silva Tuesday. Anton Garcia, as owner of the land the still was located on was also arraigned, although he is said to have had no connection with the still or its operation. Both men pleaded not guilty, as Butti also maintained he had sub-leased the land to a third party who was the owner of the still. A preliminary hearing will be given next Tuesday.

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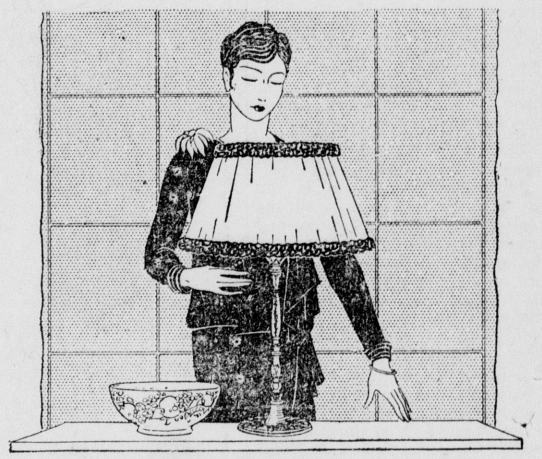

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